

## MINUTES OF THE BOATING ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

GREAT SALT LAKE STATE MARINA  
MAGNA UTAH

JULY 17, 2013  
3:00 PM – 6:00 PM

### COUNCIL MEMBERS

Troy Mann	Dealer Rep	Present
Guy Taylor	Motorboat Rep	Present
Mike Williams	Boating Safety & Education Rep	Present
Hank Cobb	Watersports Rep	Excused
Tim Gaylord	Outfitter Rep	Absent
Bill Rouleau	PWC Rep	Present
Rebekka Stone	Paddlesports Rep	Absent
Ray Schelble	Boating Angler Rep	Present

### DIVISION OF UTAH STATE PARKS & RECREATION

Ty Hunter	Boating Program Manager
Brody Young	Assistant Boating Program Manager
Stacy Webster	Boating Program Executive Secretary
Dave Shearer	Great Salt Lake Marina Harbor Master

### GUESTS

John Sterzer	Bureau of Reclamation
Craig Walker	Aquatics Habitat Program Coordinator

Troy welcomed everyone to the meeting, everyone introduced themselves.

### APPROVAL OF APRIL MINUTES

Mike made the motion to accept the minutes as presented. Guy seconded the motion. All were in favor.

### WELCOME AND TOUR

Dave Shearer welcomed everyone to the marina, introduced himself and gave a history of the Great Salt Lake. Dave took the Council out on Rescue One for a tour of the Great Salt Lake.

## **NEWTON RESERVOIR**

Newton Reservoir is starting to become very popular with fisherman and wakeboard boats, ski boats, etc. This reservoir is very narrow that if there is a fishing boat trolling and a wakeboard boat tries to pass, there is not enough room to obey the speed and proximity law. The BOR, Cache County Water Conservancy and Utah State Parks would like to make this reservoir a wakeless speed when the water drops below a certain level.

R651-205-18 proposed rule – A vessel may not be operated at a speed greater than a wakeless speed when the reservoir is at or below 4761 feet above sea level.

Guy made the motion to accept the rule. Ray seconded the motion. All were in favor.

Troy would like to have this as a test run and after a year evaluate.

## **FLYBOARD/JET PACK**

This is a new trend that we didn't think would hit Utah as quick as it did. We have people using the flyboards at Hyrum, Willard Bay, Jordanelle, Deer Creek and Lake Powell. To where this is a new activity do we need to create regulations, define who is the operator, need an observer, wakeless zone, specialized rules?

## **BOATING FATALITIES**

Nine fatalities as of right now:

- 1 person Utah Lake drowning fishing no pfd
- 1 person Flaming Gorge overdue fisherman
- 1 person Otter Creek father helping son
- 3 persons Lake Powell motorboat vs houseboat
- 1 person Lake Powell elderly gentleman
- 1 person Lake Powell 5 yo propeller
- 1 person Bear Lake co poisoning-Idaho
- 1 person Antelope Island kayaker

Is there something that we can do to help prevent fatalities? Mandatory wear has failed with the legislature a couple of times. The public has commented that a type III is too hot to wear all the time and inflatables are way too expensive.

Ty would like to step up education and PSAs with a shock and awe feeling to get people aware of the reason to wear a life jacket.

## **CARRYING PASSENGERS FOR HIRE**

We are looking at outfitters on federal regulated waters on not charging them for an outfitter registration. Since Tim is not at this meeting we will hold off on this discussion.

### **SAILING/PADDLESPORTS REP**

We need to start recruiting for the sailing position. Stacy will send out the application to the Council.

Rebekka Stone who is currently the Paddlesports Rep is out of the country and we do not know when she will return. She has missed numerous meetings. Is it in the Council's best interest to talk to her about stepping down and replacing her?

### **AIS**

Lake Powell is infected with the quagga mussel. Craig Walker with the Division of Wildlife Resources gave a presentation. Presentation on file.

### **OLD/NEW BUSINESS**

The Council would like a list of the MBA projects that were awarded last year.

Guy made the motion to adjourn the meeting. Ray seconded the motion. All were in favor. Meeting adjourned at 6:30.